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Hark! hark! what should break on mine ear,
Union our Union.
'Tis brave Columbia's troops I hear,
Union our Union.
The spirit ne'er was greater shown,
To save this glorious Union, won
By our beloved Washington
Union our Union.

Oh! when shall we united be,
Union our Union
In bonds of love and unity?
Union our Union.
When treason's curse is blotted out
By soldier's brave as ever fought
When loud to Heaven our praise we'll shout
Union our Union.

Hurrah, Hurrah the time is nigh
Union our Union
When all with one accord will cry,
Union our Union,
This war and strife must soon be o'er,
For we the Union will restore,
And dwell in peace forever more,
Union our Union.

SONG OF THE SOLDIERS OF OLD BERKS ON ELECTION DAY.

AIR—"*Johnny fill up the Bowl.*"

The Union now, forever and ever,
The Union now, forever and ever,
The Union now, forever and ever,
Three cheers for the "Red, White and Blue."
The great campaign has now begun,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
Raise up the flag, bring out the gun,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
Old Abe again is on the track,
His steam is up, and he's bound to beat "Mac,"
We'll all go in, so Boys come up to the polls.

Oh, Little Mac is quite played out,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
John C. Fremont is up the spout,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
We've Lincoln up and Johnson too,
They're on the track and bound to go through,
We'll all go in, so Boys come up to the polls.

The Cops find 'Cooney hard to tote'
Hurrah! Hurrah!
He said the soldiers should not vote,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
We'll pay him for that the tricky cuss,
For nary a vote he'll get from us,
We'll all go in, so Boys come up to the polls.

And Mister Clymer, he won't do,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
The soldiers know he is not true,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
For them to vote he thinks it wrong,
Remember that Boys, and go it strong,
We'll all go in, so boys come up to the polls.

Heister and Briner are our men,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
Though they don't crawl in the copperhead den
Hurrah! Hurrah!
The soldiers' friends they've always been,
And now our votes shall help them win,
We'll all go in, so boys come up to the polls.

The Union now, forever and ever,
The Union now, forever and ever,
The Union now, forever and ever,
Three cheers for the "Red, White and Blue."
So put it through, *and do it right*,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
The news is good, the skies are bright,
Hurrah! Hurrah!
Down with the Copperhead, traitors crew,
Up with 'Old Glory,' the "Red, White and Blue."
We'll all go in, so Boys come up to the polls.

To Hon. Hiester Clymer.

DEAR SIR,

I am sorry that a gentleman of your very superior education and unbounded abilities, of your high character and enviable social standing in soceity should take the position in our political affairs that you occupy. As to Gen. McClellan, you say much in his favor, and a great deal can be said against him, while the argument against has quite as much the appearance of truth as your argument for him. He may be a soldier but he is runing for the presidency as a full war candidate on a most explicit peace platform, and that settles the question as to his honesty as a man and his honor as a gentleman, in the minds of all who have any just idea of the proper person we ought to elect to that most responsible position in the present distracted state of our once happy nation. Individual men are nothing, principle is everthing in the contest now raging all over our country. A war of blows, blood, devastation, rapine and murder south: a war of words, with disloyal proslavery demogogues, falsehood and secret treason north. Great God! what a spectacle for christendom to look upon. Where but a few short years ago there was a great people, seemingly happy, peaceful, prosperous and united, there is now a nation torn asunder in its very vitals. Vast armies of men contending in fratricidal strife and mutual slaughter. Bathing half their land in each others blood. Devastating it with fire and sword, and yet both sides say they are American citizens and glory in what they call the proud distinction. What has brought this fearful state of affairs, this melancholy catalogue of awful crime, of fearful calamity upon our once happy country? what is it that has maddened the American people with such a thirst for blood and carnage that the Southerner seems to delight in slaughter, in deliberate assassination, in cold hearted hangings, in midnight murder, in broad day butchery, and the northerner is driven to a retaliation, which, though justly merited, is shockingly inhuman, sickeningly unchristain? what has brought such an insanity of hate among a people who should be affectionate as brothers, kind as friends, considerate as men who have no manner of reason, or cause, to be jealous or spiteful or to have sectional malice among them. Alas! there is there can be but one true reasonable answer. The Americans south have been false, false as the evil one is false, to that freedom which, at their nations birth, they solemnly declared to be the birthright of all men. Ever since that declaration was made they have been loving slavery because it ministered to their selfishness, lust and pride. Even ministers of the gospel, teachers of religion, have been preaching up human bondage as a birth right and a blessing. Why has this people, with their professedly righteous and holy men, been thus so recreant to the great trust which providence placed in this nation on the 4th of July 1776? Because the poor helpless victims of their tyrany and despotism are of another race, docile enough to be made to submit to a lord and master, although Americans will have no such submission by themselves. Therefore as might gives right so slavery is right when we have the power to enslave? Wrong becomes right when might can make it so? Human bondage is just whenever we are able to bind. But as justice is not always as this world would have it, so our national crime cried unto high Heaven for that justice we would never have rendered of ourselves. Our sin stunk in the nostrils of nations, and became so offensive to that just and holy one who said "vengeuce is mine and I will repay it" that vengence is come upon us, and who dare say it is not just. The sin of slavery has set the southerner beside himself. Driven him crazy. He has become almost an incarnate devil, committing national suicide, and the northerner is forced to fight the demon of slavery, in self defence or be enslaved himself. Hence this terrible internecine war. And yet Mr. Lincolns proclamations against our national sin and our national enemy are entirely unpardonable and *unconstitutional* in the eyes of modern "*Democrats.*" You, who say "I *love* the Democracy," would not destroy that which is proving such a deadly enemy to them and all the rights they hold dear. There is a story of a British officer in India, who was out hunting and caught a very young tiger whelp. He took it home and reared it carefully. While it was small it was a great pet. But in time it got big and became a savage and strong tiger. The officer was obliged to kill his tiger or it would have killed him, or some of his family. But suppose his love for his tiger had induced him to spare it untill it made the deadly spring upon his children and he saw it drinking the life blood of one of his darlings. Would not you say he was a fool for not slaying the monster sooner? Of course you would. But suppose even then, when he saw its fangs deep in the flesh, and its wiskers all dabled in warm blood, he should still determine to keep his pet though he lost half his family and risked his own life every hour would you not think him a fool and a mad man? Ofcourse you would. Well, you office hunting demogogues, are now doing all you possibly can to persuade Uncle Sam to be just such a fool and mad man. Slavery has been Uncle Sams pet for over eighty years. It has grown a big tiger now and wants to over run and over awe the whole house and garden too. And because he determined to check this tiger only a little, without hurting it at all, the ungratful brute sprung at Uncle Sam's throat and making a big fight and killing many of those who went to the old gentleman's aid. Instead of encouraging Uncle Sam and helping him to slay the savage rebellious beast, you take the monsters part, and cry out "conciliate him, compromise with him, you have no right to kill him. It is not constitutional. He has as much right to live as you have." Such is the admirable advice, and doctrine of you sham democrats, simply because you want the tigers aid in carrying out your own party purposes. If you had lived in Nero's time, would have helped him to fiddle when Rome was in flames if office were promised you as a compensation. Even now, while this terrible war is raging, your party demogogues preach treason and fiddle for proslavery McClellan. But you may bellow about "abolition" until you burst your copper boilers, if Uncle Sam were to stop fighting, and leave his savage ungrateful tiger alive for further trouble and danger, he would be a far greater fool than any one ever thought he could be.

Yours &c.
THOMAS JACKSON.

A Good Joke on Lottie!

"Sqib" of the 46th P. V., sends us the following with the request that we make room for it in our columns:

Since the advent of Gen. Logan's splendid corps at Huntsville, the rooms in the principal hotels have been in demand. A beautiful and accomplished actress had been staying at the Huntsville Hotel, and in about a "minute and a half or two minutes" after she had vacated the room, the gallant Gen. O. was assigned to it by the landlord. The general, on examining his chamber previous to retiring, found a snowy *robe de nuit* neatly folded under the pillow, marked in delicate characters with the name of the fair owner. The chambermaid was called and asked by the general, holding the garment in his hand:

"Do you know Miss Lottie Hough?"

"Yes," answered the chambermaid.

"Then carry this to her with my compliments and say *Gen. O. is not in the habit of sleeping with empty nightgowns!*"

☞ Josh Billings deposes, among other good things, "that yer kant judge a man bi hiz religun no more than yer kan judge his shurt bi the size of the kollar and ristbands."

☞ Old Ben Wade has taken the stump for Lincoln and Johnson, and is dealing the Copperhead candidates giant blows.—Whatever Wade does he does with all his might.

SIGNIFICANT—BUT ALL RIGHT!—On Monday last week a squad of rebel prisoners were marched through Pennsylvania Avenue, in Washington, on their way to their place of detention. Passing under the Lincoln and Johnson flag, they greeted it with hisses and groans, but on reaching the McClellan and Pendleton banner they stopped and gave it three hearty enthusiastic cheers.

THE NEW YORK HERALD is anxious to know what will become of Grant and Sherman if McClellan is elected. Grant will certainly be succeeded by Fitz John Porter, and Sherman will be returned to the command of the Benton Barracks, in St. Louis. It must be remembered that Grant is too fond of fighting, while Sherman is "crazy." They mean to hurt the rebels. McClellan means to "conciliate" them.

Waking up the wrong Passenger.

The game of the Rebel sympathizers now, is one of brag and intimidation. A few days since a copperhead, meeting with a Union man in Philadelphia, cooly informed him that if President Lincoln was re-elected, the Streets of that city would flow with blood. Yes, was the ready response and *yours* will be the *first* blood to flow.

On one of the transparancies in copperhead procession in Philadelphia Gen. Grant was made to say "I pull for the side that pays best." That sounds well from a party, whose candidate while on pay, does literally nothing for his country—a party that has not one word of sympathy or praise for Grant, Sherman, Farragut, or the brave men under them—a party whose prospects of success brighten only as disaster attends our arms.

Who that claims to be loyal, would belong to *such* a party.

Commencement of the War.

Below is a brief diary of events occuring previous to the inaguration of Mr. Lincoln on the fourth of March, 1861, which furnishes a convenient answer to the Copperhead charge, quite common now-a-days, that the "Abolitionists" commenced this war. All the events noted, it must be remembered, occurred during the Adminstration of James Buchanan:

December 20—Capture of Fort Moultire and Castle Pickney, by South Carolina troops.

January 3, 1861—Capture of Fort Palaski, by the Savonnah troops.

January 3—The United States Arsenal at Mount Vernon, Alabama, with 100,000 stands of Orms, seized by the Alabama troops.

January 4—Fort Morgan, in Mobile Bay, taken by Alabama troops.

January 9—The United States steamer Star of the West was fired into and driven off by the rebel batteries on Morris Island, in attempting to furnish Fort Sumpter with supplies.

Janeary 10—Fort Jackson, Fort Philip and Pike near New Orleans, captured by the Lousiana troops.

January 14—Capture of Pensacola Navy-yard and Fort McRae by Alabama troops.

January 18—Surrender of Baton Rouge arsenal to Louisiana troops.

January 26—New Orleans Mint and Custom House taken.

Feb. 2—Seizure of Little Rock arsenal by Arkansas troops.

Feb. 4—Surrender of the revenue cutter Castle to the Alabama authorities.

Feb. 17—Twiggs transferred the United States property in Texas to the rebels.

March 2—The United States revenue cutter was seized by the rebels in Texas.

The Giornale di Napoli relates the following incomprehensible incident as having just occured in that city: "The Princess de Tevra, Mlle. d'Avalos and M. di Quarto, the betrothed of that young lady, were walking in the gardens of the Vasto Palace, at Chiaja, when they were met by M. d'Avalos, uncle of the future bride. That gentleman, who is greatly opposed to the intended union, giving way to a sudden fit of anger, set a bull-dog by which he was followed on M. di Quarto. The animal, however, instead of attacking M. di Quarto, approached the Princess, and frisked around her as if to solicit a caress. M. d'Avalos, rendered more furious at the failure, struck M. di Quarto with a riding whip. The latter then drew a pistol from his pocket and fired at M. d'Avalos, wounding him severely in the side, while a lady who was present, a very intimate friend of M. d'Avalos, fired a pistol at M. di Quarto. The Princess de Tevra and Mlle. d'Avalos had in the mean time fainted away. The Duke d'Avalos, the father of the young lady, then appeared at a window of the palace looking on the gardens, and endeavored to calm the opponents, begging his brother to moderate his anger; but the latter, now more engaged than ever, took up a double-barrelled gun and discharged it at the Duke, who was struck in the face by the contents of one barrel and fell bathen in blood. The police then arrived, and arrested M. d'Avalos, and ordered M. di Quarto to accompany them to the station. The Duke is confined to his bed from his wounds, and the Princess is seriously ill.

What Our Generals Say.

Says Lieut.-Gen. Grant.

"The end is not far distant, if we will only be true to ourselves. All we want now to insure an early restoration of the Union is a determined unity of sentiment North."

Says Maj.-Gen. Hooker:

"This Union must be preserved, and there is no way of preserving it but by the power of our arms—by fighting the conspiracy to death. This rebellion is tottering while I speak: it is going down, and will soon tumble into ruin."

Says Maj.-Gen. Meade:

"Dismissing, as now useless to discuss, all questions as to the origin of this war, we have daily and hourly evidences that it exists, and that it can *only* be terminated by hard fighting, and by determined efforts to overcome the armed enemies of the government."

Says Major General Burnside:

"Would it not be cowardly for us to say that this rebellion cannot be crushed, and the authority of the government sustained? There is in my mind no question of it. There can be no such thing as laying down of arms, or cessation of hostilities, until the entire authority of the government is acknowledged by every citizen of our country."

Says Major-General Logan:

"The greatest victory of the Rebels, greater than fifty Manassases, and their only one that can give them a particle of hope, will be to defeat the war party at the incoming campaign."

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National Union Nominations!

FOR PRESIDENT·
ABRAHAM LINCOLN, of Illinois.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT:
ANDREW JOHNSON, of Tennessee.

NATIONAL UNION ELECTORAL TICKET.
SENATORIAL.
MORTON M'MICHAEL, *of Philadelphia.*
THOMAS CUNNINGHAM, *Beaver County*
REPRESENTATIVE.

1. Robert P. King,	13. Elias W. Hall,
2. Geo. M. Coates,	14. Charles W. Shiner
3. Henry Bumm,	15. John Wister,
4. William H. Kerne,	16. D. M'Conaughy,
5. Bartin H. Jenks,	17. David W. Woods,
6. Chas. M. Runk,	18. Isaac Benson,
7. Robert Parke,	19. John Patton
8. William Taylor,	20. Samuel B. Dick,
9. John A. Heistand,	21. Everhard Bierer,.
10. Richard A. Coryell,	22. John P. Penny,
11. Edward Halliday,	23. Ebenez. M'Junkin,
12. Chorles F. Beed,	24. J. W. Blanchard.

COUNTY TICKET!

CONGRESS
William M. Hiester, City.

STATE SENATE,
Maj. William M. Briner, City.

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Philadelphia.

The patriotic city of Philadelphia, if we are not greatly mistaken, will give an immense majority on Tuesday next for the Union cause. Our nominees, for Congress, Senator and Representatives, are the very best men that could have been selected. The first Congressional District will perhaps elect Randall, Copperhead. over John M. Butler, Union, but the latter *ought* to be triumphantly elected. Chas. O. Neill is sure of an election in the second district by three thousand. Leonard Myers' district, the third, is close. But, we are assured by Dr. Seltzer, residing in said district, (and he has the means of knowing,) that *he will* win. Every vote, however, is needed to make victory certain. We have reason to believe—indeed it has leaked out in *this* city—that the Copperheads are now at work "colonizing" hogus voters to defeat Mr. Myers, and we caution our friends of the district to be wide awake there. See that no man votes who has not a legal right to vote. We are well satisfied that Mr. Myers can only be defeated by fraud, and now is the time to guard against it. In the fourth district, the well known champion of Freedom, Judge Kelly, will, of course, be triumphantly elected, and there is no use in saying anything about him. That's a fixed fact. The Union candidate in the fifth district is Hon. M. Russel Thayer, one of the best men alive. He will be elected, but to do it an effort is necessary, which we take for granted is being made. The district is composed of the 22nd, 23rd and 25th wards, and Bucks county. Let not a single Union voter remain at home, but poll every one for Mr. Thayer.

For State Senator. the Hon. Isaac A. Sheppard is the Union candidate, in the third district, running against C. M. Donovan. We hope and believe Sheppard will be elected. He certainly ought to be, as he is a good sound man, a mechanic, an experienced parliamentarian, and a truo patriot.

It is hardly possible for the Copperheads to elect more than four or five out of the eighteen representatives. We consider the following Union candidates entirely safe: 1st district, Foster; 2nd, Ruddiman; 4th. Watt; 6th, Freeborn; 7th, Cochran; 8th, Kerns; 10th. Pancoast; 11th, Sterner; 12th, Sutphin; 14th, Hood; 16th, Smith; 17th, Lee; and 18th. Miller. The 5th district may be doubtful, but as the Union candidate, Mr. Thomas, is said to be a very strong man personally, we hope for his election. The 18th district is also doubtful, between Reunor, Union, and Donnelly, Cop. The 15th district is doubtful, with chances in favor of De Haven. The 3rd and the 9th districts are about as sure for the Copperheads as the five points in New York. Altogether, the skies look bright in Philadelphia. Put the great city down for *no less than* 8,000 majority for old Abe.

Government Securities.

We are glad to know that a *very large* amount of of money is invested in Government Securities in this good old county of Berks, and what is better still we are pleased to say that a good portion of it is in the hands of men belonging to the Democratic party. This is (next to enlisting in the service) the best way to sustain your Government, by keeping up its credit, at home and abroad.

One other duty remains to those who have thus shown their patriotism, and that is to *vote consistently* at the coming election on Tuesday next.

If you desire an honorable peace, a peace that will not derange the currency by making terms with traitors (which will require us to *assume their debt,*) then vote for the man who will represent you fairly, the man who has no sympathy with treason, or traitors, then vote as your love of country would prompt you, as your own individual interests *require* you, then vote for Wm. M. Hiester.

☞ Yesterday we received a communication which cannot be given in full for want of space. The substance of it is, that one of the Copperhead tax collectors of this city is going round telling folks that martial law is proclaimed, and that every man wearing a uniform, or anything resembling a uniform, is to be arrested as a deserter; that every one found with fire-arms, either about his person or on his premises, is to be arrested and have the arms taken from them.

We think our correspondent over-estimates the importance of the fellow's efforts to make votes The fools are not all dead yet, for he, it seems, still lives.

Ancona and Wanner.

Why dont Ancona deny the statement made in "the Journal" of the 24th of September, that be did what he could to defeat Major Wanner the regular nominee of the party in 1858?

☞ It is curious to hear fellows who during the short time they were in the army were only distinguished for incomptency, ill-temper, cowardice and general neglect of duty, now set themselves up as critics in military affairs, and generol wronglers for "Little Mac." Do they suppose the men who were out with them don't know what sort of officers and soldiers they were, and don't they suppose other people know. If some of them only knew what people think of them, and what the soldiers who were out with them, say, they would keep mighty shady.

AGrave Charge against Hon. S. E. Ancona.

He Bolts theRegular Nominaton!!

The following grave charges showing the *treachery* of Mr. Ancona to his party, when it suited his purpose, are communicated to us for publication by a gentleman who is able to make good his assertions whenever required:

In 1858, or soon as Joel B. Wanner, Esq., was nominated by the Democrats for Congress, to fill the unexpired term of Hon. J. Glancy Jones. Mr. S. E. Ancona commenced electioneering against him. On the morning of election day ho went to a friend of his, a Republican, whom we shall for the present call Mr. H., and desired Mr. H. to go to a certain poll in the country and spend the day there and make as many votes as he could against Joel B. Wanner. He gave as a reason for his endeavors to beat Wanuer, that if Wanner should be elected for the unexpired term of Mr. Jones, he would, in all probability, be nominated for the full term, the next year; but if Wanner should be defeated, he, Ancona, would have better chances for the long term.

Mr. H., thus spoken to, hesitated about going; stating that the weather was inclement and he not very well: but that if he, Mr. Ancona desired it as a personal favor. he, Mr. H., would go. Mr. Ancana replied be would toke it as a personal favor if he, Mr. H., would go and do all he could to defeat Wanner. Mr. Ancona said further, at the samo intervoiw, that he would be obliged to vote an open ticket for Wanner, but would not electioneer for him.

If Mr. Ancona or his friends dispute the truth of the above statement, we are prepared to give the real name of the friend and his affidavit to the truth of the above statement. if called for.

☞ One of the Copperhead aldermen of this city met with a serious accident on the evening of the Copperhead meeting in front of the Keystone House. He said something in the crowd that was extremely capperish, when the hand of a Union boy accidentally fell on the top of his hat, smasbing it all to smash over his eyes. The damage bas sinco been repaired.

Union Meeting.

A Union mass meeting was held in the village of Bernville last Thursday evening, which was addressed by Chas. Davis, Esq., and E. H. Rauch. The total number present was about one hundred, Barnville is located in Heidelberg township. the most intensely "democratic" district in Old Berks. Considering this fact, the meeting was a most gratifying success, and if we are not greatly mistaken the overwhelming majority of the opposition will be materially reduced in Heidelberg.

On Friday evening there was a large and enthusiastic Union meeting at Leesport, Ontelaunee township, which was addressed by John S. Richard, Esq., and E. H. Rauch. Ontelaunee township is all right. Our copperhead friends will please take notice that we are going to give Heister a handsome majority in said district, over Ancana the guerilla champion.

Ancona and the Democracy.

There are many *true* men in the Democratic party who find it a very difficult matter to vote for Ancona and yet who aro averse to striking a ticket regularly nominated.

To all such we say Ancona has no claims upon you. When fairly defeated before the convention in 1858 by Major Wanner, he took immediate steps to defeat the nominee of his party in order to further his own selfish purposes or to secure the nomination for himself for *the next term.*

This he *dare not* deny. The proof is ready on the affidavit of one of our most respeetable citizens whenever he calls for it, by destroying the statement made in the Journal of the 24th ultimo.

We desire to impress upon our friends everywhere the importance of carrying the October election. The news from every quarter is of the most cheering character, and Grant and Sheridan are daily adding thousands of votes to the cause of justice, of freedom and of humanity.

But we should remember that we have an enemy that is ever on the alert, and whose very desperation will lead to the exercise of redoubled energy on his part.

Let us not then be inactive or negligent however bright our prospects may be.

If we fail to do our duty now, we shall deserve the scorn and contempt of all true men, in all time to come.

If we are faithful to ourselves and to our cause we cannot fail to be richly rewarded for our exertions, in the fruition of a triumph unparelled in the political annals of this Country. Friends are you at work, and in earnest. Does your conduct justify you in claiming a portion of the credit when the victory comes.

George Bullock Esq.

The Union men of Montgomery and Lehigh did well when they nominated Mr. Bullock for Congress. We are assured that his chances of election are very good, although the district is decidedly copperish. A better man than Mr. Bullock cannot be found in all Pennsylvania. He is a represantative man, and an honor to any party. Our friends owe it to themselves and the country to work, day and night, until seven o'clock P. M., next Tuesday to secure his election.

At the recent election, when the Amendment to the Constitution giving the right of suffrage to our brave boys in the field, was submitted to the people in East Earl township, Lancaster County, *not one* of the so-called Democratic party, went to the polls to vote.

And yot they claim the votes of the soldiers for their candidate.

Was ever impudence so unblushing?

An Electioneering Trick.

A copperhead the other day, on hearing the news of Sheridan's great victory in the Shenandoab valley, and Grent's last successful move towards Richmond, and capture of rebel works, guns and prisoners said, "oh, d— them, these are only electioneering tricks, intended to injure Gen. McClollan" !

Major Wm. Briner.

Voters of Berks County! You will have a chance to reward one of the best and bravest men known to you as a citizen of the County. Major Briner served his country well, if ever anybody did, for three long years. Although a modest man, and not by profession a stump orator, everybody knows him to be A PATRIOTIC, AN HONEST AND A FIT MAN. Whilst Mr. Hiester Clymer was doing the work of his party in the Senate last winter, among which was opposition to the soldiers right to vote, Major Briner was down at the front fighting, at the great risk of his life for his country.

Think well, and think again, before you vote for Hiester Clymer and against such a man as Major Briner.

☞ There is a story out of a certain biped calf, who is a great friend of Jeff Davis and McClellan, saying that if Lincoln is elected by unfair means, there are 75,000 minute men ready to go to Washington and oust him. Suppose he starts with his 75,000 men and tries first to oust Jeff Davis. But he need not hurry himself, Lincoln will be re-elected by fair means, and by such an overwhelming majority as will make traitors, North and South, shake in their boots.

September 28th 1864.

Editors of the Father Abraham.

Sir. The Reading *Adler* of this week tells us that when democrats had the rein government, 8 pounds of coffee could be purchased for one bushel wheat, but not so now. One bushel of wheat would buy only 4 pounds coffee. This difference "in my estimation" is easily accounted for. Whenever the the Republican party was defeated at the ballot box it yielded to the majority and remained loyal. Alas, how different with the democratic party! When they were defeated four years ago. They neither yielded to the majority nor remained loyal, but on the contrery turned traitors and made war upon the government Thats whats the matter.

Yours.

S. Pompeneau.

P. S. Some people consider the *Adler* disloyal. but I don't. I have in my possession a copy of it, which I think is as loyal a sheet as any other in the County. It was Edited by John Ritter. years ago.

Our Union Candidate for Congress.

Editors Father Abraham.

Sir.—It may perhaps be a matter of interest to some of your readers—to know in such turbulent times, for whom they are about to cast their vote for Congress. Every thinking man, (and I believe all your readers are thinking men) will undoubtedly inquire. now, if he never has before, "who am I voting for" is he honest? is he a patriot? and what are his antecedents?

Of the honest, purity and integrity, of the Hon. Wm. M. Hiester, I need say nothing. They are too well known to need any mention at my hand, of his antecedents I would say a ward. He is the Son of the Dr. Isaac Hiester. and the grandson of Major General Peter Muhlenberg of the patriot army of the Revolution! his great grandfather, the Rev. Henry Melchior Muhlenberg was the Father of the Lutheran Church in the United States, and as such became endeared to the countless numbers of Germans composing his different congregations. and there are no doubt to day hundreds of Lutherans in this and the adjoining counties, who venerate the name of Father Muhlenberg as he was called. Gen. Peter Muhlenberg the Grandfather of Wm. M. Hiester wieled his influence. not only in the councils of the field but likewise in those of the State after he had materilly assisted in resisting and overcoming the English, and their mercenaries sent for our subjugation. Can any one hesitate for a moment. between Hiester and Ancana, the former having the intarnished patriotism of a hundred years to look back upon with pride and emulation, the latter, nothing but his own direct and indirect endeavors. In the Congress of his country, to subvert its government, the best God in his inscrutable providence ever permitted to exist. Think well then oh voter! before you cast your vote, whether it shall be fore me the honor of whose past life gives promise of a bright future, or for one whose indirect acts of treason, will be proclaimed by the inevitable voice of history and posterity more infamous than those of the armed Rebel in the field.

☞ If you can find a returned soldier who was notorious for not doing his duty, and earned the reputation of a skulker and a coward—we say if you can find such a man, inquire who his candidate is for the Presidency.

Bernville.

A large meeting of the Union men was held in Bernville last Thursday evening, which was addressed by Chas. Davis Esq., E. H. Rauch and Geo. H. Yeager. Bernville is in Heidelburg township—the darkest district politically, in all Berks County. Yet we have reason to hope and believe that our vote will be largely incresed, and contribute much towards the political revolution now going on in this County. The people of Heidelburg are patriotic, and opposed to Ancona and all other guerillas.

Family Affliction.

Mr. Ancona, the "democratic" candidate for Congress is seriously afflicted—if treason is to him an affliction. For instanco, his brother-in-law, Daniel H. Feger is a Major in the rebel army, and his cousin, Henry Crewether is in the rebel service as a Rail Road Transporting agent. The latter once said, when he resided in this City, that in case of a war between the United States and Great Britain he would toko up arms in favor of the latter. For this declaration he was expelled from the Reading Rifles, and he is now in Dixie fighting against the United States.

We don't hold Mr. Ancona responsible for the conduct of his relations, and yet, it may be that on their account he favors the guerillas. How did the milk get into the cocaa-nut?

Col. James L. Selfridge.

The Union men of the 11th district did a noble act when they nominated as their candidate for Congress, Colonel Selfridge now commanding the, old 46th Regt. He was a soldier from the beginning of the war—first serving as Captain in the three months service. He has gone through, and participated in many battles for the Union. He is a gentleman of eminent ability, and will, if elected, make a first class representative.

The Price reduced! Twenty-five cents for the Campaign.

For the remainder of the campaign (clubs) we will furnish "Father Abraham" for 25 cents. Hurry up your clubs.

THE GREAT PROCESSION!

IMMENSE NUMBERS!!

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ELOQUENT SPEECHES!

LINCOLN, JOHNSON, HIESTER, BRINER AND

VICTORY!

THE UNION FOREVER!

The largest torch-light procession ever known, not only in the city of Reading, but in this section o the the State, came off in this city on Saturday night last. The weather was decidedly unfavorable, and many remained at home on that account. But, the turn out was immense. The true Union men of Old Berks, concluded that if our brave volunteers can march and fight, bleed and die, in storm as well as in sunshine, they can stand it a few hours in the streets of the city of Reading, even if the rain does fall.

We have not the space to give a full account of this tremendous demonstration. To notice all the banners, transparencies and delegations, would fill an entire page of our paper. We will, however, mention a few of the most prominent features:

Capt. Meredith, of Maidencreek, headed a delegation of over fifty mounted men.

Seventy mounted men were in procession from Cumru.

Large delegations of mounted men from the city were in line, the whole mounted force, several squares in length were under command of Captain Wise.

The West Reading Iron Works, of McHose, Eckert & Co., were largely represented. An iron wagon, on which a bonfire was constantly burning throughout the procession, together with bells mounted on wheels, created quite an excitement. The delegation carried a large transparency, on which were inscribed appropriate mottoes.

Dr. Yardly Brown, Charles Ringel, and other gentlemen of the Young Men's Lincoln Club paraded a large wagon, which was given the right of the procession, from which colored lights, roman candles, and other fire works were displayed along entire line. The wagon was beautifully decorated with evergreens, flags, &c., and Messrs. Brown, Ringel and the other gentlemen of the committee who had the affair in hand, certainly deserves great credit for their display.

A large wagon, drawn by eight beautiful grey horses, with a full size portrait of President Lincoln, and from which greek fire, rockets, and other fire works were displayed, created no little excitement. Messrs. Norton, Mishler, Samuels, and other members of the Young Men's Lincoln Club, were the originators of this idea, whilst their display created the wildest enthusiasm along the entire line of the procession.

Among the numerous transparencies were the following:

A picture representing Ancona electioneering by kissing a fat baby, in the presence of the old man and the old woman, who was at the wash tub, saying "der 'Cooney is doch en feiner karl."

The face of a Copperhead smiling *before* the taking of Atlanta, and the same face, in a state of "solemncholn" *after* the taking of Atlanta.

A picture of old Abe cutting down the tree of secession.

Picture of big swamp angel (gun,) labelled "A Peacemaker."

One banner containing the following: "The 'Early' bird seems to have got his 'Phil!' " (Sheridan.)

Another—"A Railroad Superintendent knows it is dangerous to stand on the Platform."

Another—"Sheridan got up Early on Monday morning."

Another—"Our Peace Commissioners—Grant, Mead, Sherman, Sherridan, Farragut.,'

The route was about three miles in length, and was passed over by half past ten o'clock.

As the main body of the procession was in 5th Street, moving across Penn, northward, about eight o'clock, a delegation of over five hundred Philadelphia Invincibles, with an excellent band of music, and each man carrying a torch, marched from the the depot down Franklin and joined the procession in Fifth Street. By this time the enthusiasm in the ranks and on the thronged sidewalks was unbounded, and the ladies, God bless 'em, even joined in loud and long huzzas all along the line for Lincoln, the Union and the brave Union Soldiers and Sailors.

The following, as far as we know, were the regular delegations in line of procession.

Philadelphia Invincibles with band.

Large delegation from Union and Robeson townships with band.

Alsece township with band.

Hamburg with band.

Leesport with band.

Cumru township with band.

Womelsdorf and band.

Muhlenberg township with band.

The nine Wards of the City with the Ringold and Stubblebeim's bands.

Large delegations without bands, from the following districts: Spring township, Amity, Caernarvon Brecknock, Bern, Bernville, Longswamp, Albany Marion, Tulpehocken, Heidelberg, Richmond, and indeed, from almost every district in the County. Besides, there were also many here from Lancaster County, along the line of the Columbia Railroad, and from Chester, Montgomery and Lehigh Counties.

After passing over the route the assemblage was addressed in front of the Union League Headquarters by Mr. Coleman and Snyder Leidy, Esqs., and in front of the Young Men's Lincoln Club, United States Hotel, by Edwin H. Coats, the eloqunt Philadelphia tailor, of 930, Spring Garden Street, and by C. B. Sabine Esq., of Texas. All the speeches, at both stands, were able, eloquent and effective.

It is proper also to add, that along the route of procession hundreds of private houses were handsomely illuminated. No one could fail to feel convinced that the people, including three fourths of the ladies of this City are for the Union unconstitutionally; for Lincoln, for Hiester for Congress, Briner for Senator; Griesemer, Yeager and Custer for Assembly, and for the whole Union ticket.

Union Nominees.

The following are the Union nominees in the districts named. They are all good, true, honest and competent men. Leave nothing undone to elect them—one and all.

PHILADELPHIA—For Congress.
1st District—John M. Butler.
2d District—Charles O'Neill.
3d District—Richard Butler.
4th District—Wm. D. Kelly.
5th District—M. Russel Thayer.
SENATOR.
3d District—Isaac A. Sheppard.
REPRESENTATIVES.
1st District—William Foster,
2d District—William H. Ruddiman,
3d District—Leonard Meyers,
4th District—W. W. Watt,
5th District—Joseph T. Thomas,
6th District—James Freeborn,
7th District—Thomas Cochran,
8th District—James N. Kerns.
9th District—Charles Foster,
10th District—Samuel S. Pancoast,
11th District—Franklin Sterner,
12th District—Luke V. Stephens, Sr.,
13th District—Enos C. Reener,
14th District—Francis Hood,
15th District—George De Haven, Jr.,
16th District—William F. Smith,
17th District—Edward O. Lee.
18th District—James Miller.
CHESTER AND DELAWARE—7th District.
For Congress—John M. Broomall.
MONTGOMERY AND LEHIGH—6th District.
For Congress—George Bullock.
LANCASTER—9th District.
For Congress—Thaddeus Stevens.
For Representatives—Elias Billingsfelt, Charles Dennes, Day Wood, R. W. Shenk.

A CARD.

The undersigned, members of the Republican Invincibles of Philadelphia, having been informed that there is a report in circulation that we are dissatisfied with the proceedings on last Saturday night, will simply say that it is not true.. We came late in the evening—after the great procession was in motion.—But, we were very handsomely treated by the Union men of Reading, and we shall never forget it—better indeed, than we had reason to expect. The story in question is simply a copperhead invention, and we take pleasure in saying so.

HARRY B. WILLIAMS, Orderly Serg,t Co. B.
JOHN BIRKBINBINE, Co C.

George F. Miller.

Our Union friends of the Dauphin and Union District can hardly fail to elect George F. Miller over William H. Miller, the notorious copperhead who now misrepresents the district in Congress. To make *sure* of it, every Union vote must be polled next Tuesday. Dauphin County alone ought to be good for 1500 majority, at least.

☞ We are requested to state that Mr. James Sweeney, Jeweller Penn street between 4th and 5th, is not the individual who signed the Constitutions of both Lincoln and McClellan Club for the sake of selling badges. Mr. S. is a Union man, and belongs only to the Lincoln Club.

☞ If you are in favor of the good old Union vote for Wm. Hiester on Tuesday next.

☞ If you want a man to represent you in Congress, who is honest, patriotic, and competent, vote for Wm. Hiester.

ANCONA'S MODE OF ELECTIONEERING.

Private John Y. Seiders

This brave man lost a leg at the battle of Gettysburg. He is now the Union nominee for Coroner. Surely we need not say more to secure for him the vote of every true and patriotic man. Only the most malignant Copperheads dare vote against him.

Look at the Assembly Ticket.

Voters of Berks County! Don't forget that the Union Assembly ticket is the best and strongest ever nominated. Look at the names. Dr. Griesmer, George W. Yeager and Lewis Custer. Give them your earnest and undivided support!

Facts and Questions.

Lee's army cheered when they heard of McClellan's nomination, not when they heard the fall of Atlanta. What what the cause of the difference?

When news reached London that McClellan's nomination was certain, the rebel loan went up three per cent. Why was this?

On the day when Sheridan's victory over Early was announced, a Union man asked a McClellanite if he had heard the good news. The reply of the latter was: "D—n your news." What made him feel so?

Rebel prisoners marching through Washington cheered McClellan and groaned for Lincoln. What was the cause?

Somebody Complimented on Good Looks.

It is a notorious fact that our friends Dr. J. H. Seltzer of Philadelphia, and Hon. Heister Clymer democratic candidate for state senator are about one size and weight, beards exactly alike, eyes grey, hair brown, each measuring 5 feet 11½ inches and weighing, Mr. Clymer about 185 and Seltzer 186. Clymer sometimes takes the stump, and says what he should leave unsaid. Therefore, when he does happen to say something that is good, his personal friends are agreeably disappointed.

Now, it so happened that a week ago last Saturday, Dr. Seltzer made a speech, and a very good one by the way, in Cumru township. Last Saturday, he was again in our midst, and, walking through the streets of this city—corner of 5th and Penn he was met by a warm friend and admirer of Mr. Clymer, who said:—

Now gook doh—Gut in Himmel wie gehts don—ich hab dich hehra selly speech macha der letsht Sunshdog dort in Cumru un sell war yoosht about an bully gooty speetch. Ich hoff doch du koomsht ach nei in sell emtly, un awer denkst net dos der Major Briner dich beet?

After considerable effort Dr. Seltzer succeeded in convincing the man, that he is'nt Hiester Clymer. Who is complimented by this similarity of appearance, Saltzer or Clymer?

The Habeas Corpus--the Latest.

As the procession was passing through the only copperhead Ward last Saturday night, (the 9th) a Cop. entered into conversation as follows:

Union Man—Well, was denksht fun unserm procession?

Cop—Es gookt guht genunk, un awer es is doch net according zu der Constitution.

U. M.—Wie so? Warum donn net?

Cop—Ei fun wega sie hen die Habeas Corpus fun uns wag genumma.

U. M.—Wehsht don was des Habeas Corpus mehnt?

Cop—Uf course wehs ichs.

U. M.—Well, sog mer, was is es donn?

Cop—Well now, ich konn's net exactly sauga un awer ich wehs anyhow dos sie's uns genumma hen, un hens die neagur gewwa, un du konsht's ach net ferlogna.

U. M.—Un all dos ich zu sanga hab, is dos du ferdeivelt fiel dummer bisht dos ich geglaubt hab.

☞ If you desire a true Union man to represent you in the State Senate, one who is competent and has fought for his country, vote for Wm. Briner.

☞ If you think a guerilla is better than a Union soldier, vote for Ancona.

One of the Incidents.

On Saturday evening last one of the most significant incidents, which cheered the heart of every Union man, was the venerable Judge Young, a life long, straight forward, open and out spoken democrat marching the entire length of the route in procession. Are the young men really ahead?

The Importance of one Vote.

Some years ago, Marcus Morton was elected Governor of Massachusetts, by a majority of *one*. A member of the Legislature was elected ten years ago, in Northampton County, by *one* majority. We might mention many cases of election by one vote, were it necessary.

Remember that one vote *may* elect Hiester, or Briner, or Griesemer or some other candidate on the Union ticket. One vote *may* defeat our candidate in the Schuylkill, or in the Dauphin district. One vote *may* elect Bullock in the Montgomery district. One stay-at-home vote in the great County of Lancaster, or in Chester, *may* decide the popular vote of the State against us. This is not probable, but *it is possible*.

Let every Union man, in every district be sure that every man on the right side polls his vote. Let this be done in Lancaster as well as in Berks. If any of our men are sick, provide carriages for them and bring them to the polls, if possible. Let not one vote be neglected.

☞ We have on hand a large number of campaign documents—German and English, for distribution. Call and get them.

DIED.

DIED—In this city, on Monday morning last, CAPT. G. S. LAUMAN. His friends and the friends of the family are invited to attend his funeral, from the residence of his father, Penn st., on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock P. M. without further notice, to proceed to the Charles Evans Cemetry.

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COUNCIL No. 341.

A regular stated meeting of the Council will be held on to-morrow evening at the usual place. Punctual attendance is requested. By order of THE COUNCIL.

ANCONA'S CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

Hon. S. E. Ancona, the copperhead Congressman of this district, is a candidate for re-election. Below we give some of his Congressional votes on questions relating to the war.

On December 22, 1863 a joint resolution was offered by Philip Johnson, of Pa., in the lower House of Congress endorsing the then recent decision of Judge Woodward, of the Penna. Supreme Court, and two of his associates, that the act to call out the National forces, commonly called the conscription, was *unconstitutional.* The object of said resolution was to defeat the efforts of the government to re-enforce our armies in the field.

Mr. Ancona voted for the resolution!

On the 15th day of January 1864, *Mr. Ancona* offered a preamble and resolution, which under the rules was laid over. The preamble pronounces the conscription law, "oppressive, unjust, unconstitutional, and the LOTTERY OF DEATH." It denounces the punishment of deserters, without trial by a civil Jury. The resolution which follows the preamble was to instruct the Committee on Military affairs to bring in a bill for the *unconditional repeal* of the act.

On the 6th of June last (1864). The Committee on Military Affair reported a bill to punish *guerrillas,* authorizing our commanding generals in the field, or the commander of the department, as the case may be during the present rebellion, to carry into execution all sentences against *guerillas* for ROBBERY, ARSON, BURGLARY, RAPE, ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO COMMIT RAPE, AND FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE LAWS AND CUSTOMS OF WAR, as well as sentences against SPIES, MUTINEERS, DESERTERS AND MURDERERS.

On the question, "shall this bill pass?" *Mr. Ancona* voted **NO!**

On December 17 Mr. Green Clay Smith, of Kentucky, offerd the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved,* That as our country, and the very existence of the best government ever instituted by man, are imperilled by the most causeless and wicked rebellion that the world has seen, and believing, as we do, that the only hope of saving this country and preserving this Government is by the power of the sword, we are for the most vigorous prosecution of the war until the Constitution and laws shall be enforced and obeyed in all parts of the United States; and to that end we oppose any armistice, or intervention, or meditation, or proposition for peace from any quarter, so long as there shall be found a rebel in arms against the Government; and ignore all party names, lines and issues, and recognize but two parties in this war—patriots and traitors.

2. That we hold it to be the duty of Congress to pass all necessary bills to supply men and money, and the duty of the people to render every aid in their power to the constituted authorities of the Government in the crushing out of the rebellion, and in bringing the leaders thereof to condign punishment.

Mr. Ancona voted against these resolutions!

On the 12th of May, 1862 upon a resolution in Congress, that slavery or involuntary servitude shall be prohibited in the United States *Territories.* Mr. Ancona voted **NO!**

On the 12th of February, 1863 Mr. Ancona voted *against* a provision prohibiting slavery in the Territory of Montana.

On March 17th, 1864 Mr. Ancona voted *against* a similar provision, to prohibit slavery in the Territory of Colorado.

On March 28, 1864 Mr. Ancona voted *against* the resolution recommending an amendment to the national constitution for the extinction of Slavery in all the States!

On December 21, 1863 Pending the deficiency bill in Congress, Mr. Ancona voted *for* a Proviso "that no part of the moneys shall be applied to the raising, arming, equipping or paying of negro soldiers.

On May 11th 1864 the House considered a bill to secure to soldiers and sailors in the United States service *homesteads from confiscated estates in insurrectionary districts.*

On the question, "shall the bill pass"? MR. ANCONA VOTED **NO!**

(The bill provided that all persons who have served, or may honorably serve in the army or navy of the United States, for two years during the present rebellion, or have or shall be discharged by reason of wounds or disease, shall be entitled to enter eighty acres, or less; and all who have rendered, or shall render honorable service as soldiers or sailors, in the army or navy, or as laborers therein, shall be entitled to forty acres, of all lands condemned under the confiscation act of July 17th 1864. Even this most just measure, intended to do something substantial for the men, and their families, who are now fighting bleeding and dying for our country, was BITTERLY OPPOSED BY MR ANCONA!)

On May 12th 1864 the House resumed the consideration of a bill to drop from the list all officers of the army, including volunteer generals, who have been indefinately relieved from active service, except such as have been disabled by wounds, or such as have been placed on the retired list, so as to reduce their number, and leave the officer in the hands of those who are actually serving the country and thus also to give the meritorious faire chances of promotion. MR. ANCONA VOTED AGAINST THE RESOLUTION.

On January 18th 1864 Mr. Green Clay Smith, of Kentucky, offered the following:

Whereas, a most desperate, wicked and bloody rebellion exists within the jurrisdiction of the United States, and the safety and security of personal and national liberty depend upon its absolute extinction therefore,

Resolved,—That it is the political, civil, moral and sacred duty of the people to meet it, fight it, and forever destroy it.

MR. ANCONA VOTED AGAINST THIS PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTION!

On June 30th 1864 a Proviso was offered that no more troops shall be levied except by volunteering, until after the President shall have made a request (to the rebel authorities) for an armistice. MR. ANCONA VOTED FOR THE PROVISO!

We might go on, and state act after act, and vote after vote, by this most notorious and unpatriotic man, to prove that he is in every respect with PENDLETON, VALLANDIGHAM, COX, VOORHEES, and other copperheads in his opposition to those who sustain our good old government both in the field and in the rear. Whenever he can do a thing *for* the administration of the South, he does it. Whenever he can do anything to withhold food and pay, and clothing, and even medical aid to the sick and wounded braves, who are fighting our battles, he does it. Whenever he can do an act to aid the United States government in putting down the rebellion he *wont* do it.

In the foregoing we gave a portion of his congressional record of infamey. More is at our command, but it is not necessary to convince every loyal man, in the field or at home, that he is not a fit man to be voted for by any intelligent freeman. We will only add a single fact. As soon as Congress adjourned, last spring, he came home, to this City, and immediately commenced electioneering, very quietly, against the Strte Constitutional amendment giving our soldiers the right to vote. On the 3d of August last, in the 4th Ward, City of Reading, he deliberately voted *against* said amendment. This we believe, was his last public act.—as far as heard from and, we think, the most infamous. He now asks to be re-elected to the seat in Congress he has disgraced for four long years. He wants all the votes he can get even those of the soldiers. He depends upon an overwhelming party majority to drag him through. It is for the votes to say whether he shall or shall not be re-elected.

His competitor, Hon. Wm. M. Hiester is as different from Ancona, as light is from darkness. As to ability, there is no comparison, for Mr. Hiester is not only a patriot, but a statesman also. Since the commencement of the war to the present time, whilst Ancona was giving all possible aid and comfort to the enemy, and, as far as he was able, withholding pay, food, clothing and even medical aid to our gallant soldiers, in the vain hope of breaking us down as a free government, and establishing upon its ruins a slave despotism under Jeff Davis as Emperor—whilst Ancona and other notorious copperheads were snouting round and doing all the harm they could to the Union cause, WILLIAM M. HIESTER was doing all in his power, by his voice, his pen, his purse and his all, TO GIVE STRENGTH TO HIS COUNTRY AND NEW GLORY TO HIS COUNTRY'S FLAG.

Voters of Berks County! Who is your man for Representative? Ancona, the friend and champion of guerillas, or Wm. M. Hiester, the friend and supporter of his country and of those who bravely defend us?

A Good Nomination.

Capt. Matthews, a very excellent and brave officer, who was twice severely wounded, and is now at home disabled, received the Union nomination for Sheriff of Lebanon County. His majority will not be less than 1500.

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